

Congresswoman Melissa Bean (IL-08) announced that the House will vote on H.R. 5850, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2011, that includes funding she requested. This list includes the requests and amounts that were included in the final bill. To see a list of requests submitted to the committee, click [here](#).

Pace Suburban Bus – Paratransit Vehicles

- Recipient: Pace Suburban Bus, 550 W. Algonquin Rd., Arlington Heights, IL 60005
- Description: \$200,000 from the Buses & Bus Facilities account in the FY11 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) budget to purchase replacement vehicles for Pace's suburban Dial-a-Ride and ADA paratransit services in Lake, McHenry, and Northwestern Cook County. Pace provides 132,000 trips per month on these services, serving those most in need in our community—seniors, persons with disabilities and those with no other mode of transportation. Pace needs to replace paratransit vehicles used in this service because 145 vehicles will be past their useful life by 2012. Investment in public transportation's infrastructure not only benefits those who ride it, but also provides jobs in the domestic manufacturing sector.

Village of Barrington – Rt. 14 Underpass

- Recipient: Village of Barrington, 200 S. Hough St., Barrington, IL 60010
- Description: \$550,000 from the Transportation & Community & System Preservation (TCSP) account in the FY11 Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) budget to separate freight trains (some 2 miles long) from over 40,000 vehicles that pass over Route 14 daily. Reconstruction of Route 14 so it passes under the EJE/CN railroad instead of crossing it at grade is a good first step in providing some congestion relief caused by the increased freight traffic to Barrington and the northwest suburban Chicago area. The 2008 acquisition of EJ&E by CN will cause a 4-fold increase in freight rail traffic through Barrington. Since all crossings in the community are at-grade, significant impacts include safety risks, traffic jams, and blockage of emergency response and access to the local hospital. A separation project will serve community safety, enhance commerce, and mitigate environmental impacts of increased vehicle emissions.